for r Criminals DSI), Departoffice biographic 272 persons

10 March 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Chief, IMS/OG/EIRS

FROM:

IMS/FPLG

SUBJECT:

Department of Justice Request for Information on Alleged Nazi War Criminals

- l. The Office Of Special Investigations (OSI), Department of Justice has recently submitted to this office biographic data sheets (copies attached) on approximately 272 persons who are of interest to the Department in its investigation of alleged Nazi war criminals. Included in this group are prospective witnesses and relative and/or associates of the alleged war criminals as well as the war criminals themselves.
- 2. In a 21 February 1980 meeting with officials of the OSI, it was agreed that the Directorate of Operations (DO) would check these names through the STAR system using the following procedures:
 - a. Only "on-the-head" trace will be run. (i.e. no FNU's will be considered).
 - b. DO responses will be No Trace, No Positively Identifiable Information, Possibly Identifiable Information is Available, or Information on Subject is Available, whichever is applicable.
 - c. Actual trace results concerning those persons on whom we have or may have information will not be sent to the OSI at this time. OSI will first be asked to describe the kind of information needed on any given Subject. If available in DO files, that specific information will be collected and properly sanitized for review by OSI if passage meets current legal guidelines.
 - d. All responses prepared for OSI will include the name of the Subject and the OSI identification number which appears on each biographic data sheet.

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- 3. EIR will see that a number of these names have already been traced through the STAR system. The undersigned has checked these names against previous requests received from OSI, and has made notations concerning these checks in the upper right corner of the appropriate biographic data sheets. Those sheets with the following notations need NOT be checked through the STAR system again: No Trace (NT), NPII, INFO, CONTACT, 201#. Those sheets showing only the notation "NR-INS List" must be checked through STAR.
- 4. In addition to tracing the names on the attached biographic data sheets through the STAR system (with the exceptions noted in paragraph 3 supra) it is also requested that EIR maintain a temporary working list of the individuals traced in this exercise. The working list should include the name of the individual, the OSI indentification number and a notation indicating whether or not information on that individual is available. This information should be retrievable by name and by OSI indentification number.
- 5. While no completion deadline has been set for this exercise, it is requested that EIR process this request as expeditiously as is consistent with current obligations.

Attachments: a/s